

STATE OF MICHIGAN



Executive
Office

Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor

CERTIFICATE OF PROCLAMATION

On behalf of the citizens of Michigan, I, Governor Jennifer M. Granholm,
do hereby proclaim May 2008 as

Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month

Whereas, The safe operation of a motorcycle requires the use of special skills developed through a combination of training and expertise, the use of good judgment, plus a thorough knowledge of traffic laws and licensing requirements; and,

Whereas, The specific use of a safety helmet, meeting the United States Department of Transportation standards, and the proper protective riding apparel is an important part of a motorcycle operator's responsibility; and,

Whereas, Michigan has 236,900 registered motorcycles and over 519,500 individuals who have operator licenses with a motorcycle endorsement; and,

Whereas, Motorcycles represent 2.9 percent of all registered vehicles and unfortunately account for 10.1 percent of all motor vehicle fatalities; and,

Whereas, Motorcycle safety awareness promotion is a cooperative effort to decrease the number of injuries and fatalities associated with motorcycling; and,

Whereas, The promotion of motorcycle rider education programs available through the Michigan Department of State, including recommendations that motorcycle operators wear proper gear in addition to driving their vehicles defensively and cautiously is intended to reduce the number of crashes; and now therefore be it

Resolved, That I, Jennifer M. Granholm, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby proclaim May 2008 as Motorcycle Safety Awareness Month.



A stylized signature of Jennifer M. Granholm.
Jennifer M. Granholm
Governor